

March 23, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Quigley
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and
Urban Development, and Related Agencies
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger, Ranking Member DeLauro, Chairman Cole, and Ranking Member Quigley:

As you begin crafting the fiscal year 2024 (FY24) Transportation, Housing and Urban Development appropriations bill, I respectfully request that you provide a funding level of \$2,400,000 for the City of West Columbia to implement a strategic local street rehabilitation program. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of West Columbia, located at 512 East Brazos Avenue, West Columbia, Texas 77486.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would provide new pavement and reset the life cycle of local streets. Reconstruction of the 6.5 miles of poor-condition roads will mitigate over \$1 million in vehicle operating benefits alone, throughout the pavement life cycle. Additionally, replacing these failing roads will address the state of good repair, safety, and economic developmental goals consistent with the City's vision to improve the quality of life for its residents.

The project has a federal nexus for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Randy K. Weber

RANDY K. WEBER
United States Representative